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ABSTRACT

Minorities Welfare Department – Departmental Proceedings against Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District under Rule 24 read with 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules 1991 for violation of Rule - 3(1), 3(2) and 3(5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 - Articles of Charges - Issued.

MINORITIES WELFARE (VIGILANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.131, **Dated:05.06.2023.**

1. General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, Vigilance Report.No.4697/V&E/D2/2021-2, Dated:29.06.2022.
2. Industries and Commerce Department, U.O. Note.No.INC01-HTOCHTE (MISC)/10/2022-VIG, Dated:04.04.2023.
3. G.O.Rt.No.130, Minorities Welfare (Vigilance) Department, dt:05.06.2023.

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ORDER

In pursuance of the orders in the G.O. 3rd read above, it is proposed to hold an inquiry against Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District in accordance with the procedure laid down under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules 1991, for the alleged charges specified herein.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I). A statement of imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charge is proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III & IV).

3. Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District, is directed to submit her written statement of defense within (10) days from the receipt of this order and also state whether she desires to be heard in person.

4. Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge which are not specifically admitted herein. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny article of charge. She is further informed that adequate opportunity for perusal of records will be made available during the course of inquiry.

5. Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District, is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defense on or before the stipulated time, or does not appear in person before the disciplinary authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of rule-20 of the APCS (CC&A) Rules 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of said Rules, the inquiring authority may hold inquiry against her ex-parte.

6. Attention of Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, the then District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District is invited to Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any

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superior authority to further her interest in respect of matters pertaining to her service under the Government. If any representation is received on her behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed that Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms &Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order should be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To
Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District (through the Director, Minorities Welfare, Tadepalli, Guntur District).

Copy to:

The A.P. Vigilance Commission,
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, (w.r.t. Vigilance Report.No.06(C.No.4697/V&E/D2/2021, Dated:18.05.2022)
The Director, Minorities Welfare, Tadepalli, A.P. Guntur with a request to serve the charge Memo to the charged Officer and obtain the dated acknowledgement from her.
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(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No.131, MINORITIES WELFARE (VIG) DEPARTMENT, Dated:05.06.2023)

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. MD.RIAZ SULTHANA, THE THEN DISTRICT MINORITIES WELFARE OFFICER, KRISHNA DISTRICT (ERSTWHILE) PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, O/O. COMMISSIONER OF HANDLOOMS & TEXTILES, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE- I

"Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, the then District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District, has released financial assistance to Sri Gali Sydulu S/o Sri. Sk. Mohinuddin and Sri Abdul Asif S/o Sri Abdul Saleem without verification of ratification order from SLSC".

By the above mentioned acts she has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty, lack of impartiality and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLES OF FRAMED AGAINST SMT. MD.RIAZ SULTHANA, DISTRICT MINORITIES WELFARE OFFICER, KRISHNA DISTRICT (ERSTWHILE) PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, O/o. COMMISSIONER OF HANDLOOMS &TEXTILES, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Imputations of Charge I :-

The Director General (V&E) & E.O., Prl.Secretary to Govt., GAD, A.P., Vijayawada in his Vigilance Report No.4697/V&E/D2/2021-2, Dated:29.06.2022 on verification of credentials of students pursuing higher education in abroad under "Overseas Education Schemes for Minorities" the details of which are as follows:

The then District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) Smt. Md. Riaz Sulthana released financial assistance to Sri.Abdul Asif and Sri. Gali Sydulu though they have changed university without prior permission of the SLSC and not eligible for financial assistance as per the G.O.Ms.No.33 of Minorities Welfare (EDM) Department, dated:29.09.2016. She has failed to inform the same to the State Level Screening Committee. Thus she is responsible for the wrongful loss caused to the Government on account of 2 non-eligible candidates availing this scheme.

By the above facts, Smt. Md.Riaz Sulthana, the then District Minorities Welfare Officer, Krishna District (erstwhile) presently working as Assistant Director, O/o. Commissioner of Handlooms & Textiles, Mangalagiri, Guntur District, has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules,1964 and her actions the Charged Officer rendered herself liable for disciplinary action. Hence the Charge.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. MD.RIAZSULTHANA, DISTRICT MINORITIES WELFARE OFFICER, KRISHNA DISTRICT (ERSTWHILE) PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, O/O. COMMISSIONER OF HANDLOOMS &TEXTILES, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Vigilance-cum-System Improvement Report No.4697/V&E/D2/2021-2, Dated:29.06.2022.

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM BY THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. MD.RIAZ SULTHANA, DISTRICT MINORITIES WELFARE OFFICER, KRISHNA DISTRICT (ERSTWHILE) PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, O/o. COMMISSIONER OF HANDLOOMS & TEXTILES, MANGALAGIRI, GUNTUR DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

---NIL---

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